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To prepare

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BREAKING NEWS

BY THE NUMBERS

Coffee crusade

Coffee drinkers know how they want their coffee—from Starbucks. Now those Starbucks lovers have become part of the Save Our Starbucks campaign—writing letters, making phone calls and circulating petitions in an effort to get the company to change its mind about closing shops.

Although the states with the largest number of closings are California, Florida and Texas, the impact is greater proportionally elsewhere. Check out the percentages of stores closing in smaller states, according to an analysis by William Blair & Co. analyst Sharon Zackfia.

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Locations Starbucks wants to close by early next year

1,200

Jobs eliminated in the closures

41

Percent of Starbucks slated to close in Mississippi

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Percent of Starbucks closing in North Dakota

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Percent of Minnesota Starbucks to close

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Percent of Nebraska Starbucks to close

Olympic makeover

China tries to create new, improved population to go with its spiffed-up capital

Los Angeles Times

BEIJING Everybody wants to make a good impression for important guests, but it's almost like an episode of "Extreme Makeover" here these days.

With a price tag of \$43 billion, the Summer Games that will open Aug. 8 in Beijing are the most expensive in Olympic history. The transformation, however, goes far beyond the eye-popping architecture. The Chinese government also has been trying to create a new, improved population to go along with its spiffed-up capital city.

Migrant workers, beggars and many masseuses and fortune tellers have been sent packing for the Olympic season. Since May, restaurants have been required to have no-smoking sections, and this month, Beijing's food safety administration ordered restaurants to remove dog meat from their menus lest it offend Western sensibilities.

DVD shops have pulled their stocks of pirated Hollywood films. Western-style toilets have replaced squat models in many locations. And a group calling itself the Capital Committee to Promote Culture and Ideological Progress recently distributed 50,000 packages of tissues along with a warning that those caught spitting in public were subject to a \$7 fine.

"It's not just the buildings, it is the emotional change in the city that is so



Beijing's two new subway lines and a new rail line should be running Sunday and serving millions of passengers by the opening of the Olympics. [AP PHOTO]

profound," said Jeff Ruffolo, an Olympic veteran from L.A. who is serving as an adviser to the Beijing Olympic Committee.

Since 2001, when they won the rights to the Olympics, Beijingers have been honing their English skills. At least according to the official Web site of the Olympic Games, 90,000 Beijing taxi drivers have gone through a special training program. The city has cleaned up its English-language signage, removing some of the more notorious clunkers—for example, those near the Olympic stadium that directed visitors to "Racist Park," now properly referred to as the Ethnic Minorities Culture Park.

Not all the measures are popular.

The Geneva-based Center for Housing Rights and Evictions estimates that 1.5 million people have been moved to make way for Olympics-related projects.

But public protest has been relatively minimal, in part because of the Chinese government's intolerance of dissent, but also because of genuine pride in the Olympics.

"We are patriotic. We want China to make a good impression on visitors," said Yan Dajie, 42, whose DVD shop now displays mainly boxed sets of opera and black-and-white classics on its shelves. (Customers in search of "Kung Fu Panda" can get it from a carton hidden behind a sliding bookcase in the back room.)

Mind your manners

More than 17 million people participated in an etiquette training online quiz:

- 1** On formal occasions, when wearing a dark suit, the color of the socks should be?
A. White
B. Dark
C. Light-colored

- 2** Which seat in a car should be reserved for a distinguished guest?
A. The passenger seat
B. Right of the back seat
C. Left of the back seat

- 3** What is the appropriate behavior when receiving presents from foreigners?
A. Express gratitude and put the presents aside
B. Express gratitude, open the presents and voice your pleasure in front of other people
C. Express gratitude, open the presents and make no comment

(ANSWERS ARE ALL B)

SUSPECT: Jalapeno pepper. May be dangerous

Associated Press

McALLEN, TEXAS Government inspectors finally have a big clue in the nationwide salmonella outbreak: They found the same bacteria on a single Mexican-grown jalapeno pepper handled by a small Texas produce shipper.

But Monday's discovery doesn't solve the mystery: Authorities don't know where the pepper became tainted—on the farm, or in the plant in McAllen, Texas, or at some stop in between.

Nor are they saying the tainted pepper exonerates tomatoes sold earlier in the spring that consumers until last week had been told were the prime suspect.

Still, "this genetic match is a very important break in the case," said Dr. David Acheson, the Food and Drug Administration's food safety chief.

But for now, the government is advising consumers to avoid eating any fresh jalapenos, or products made with them, such as fresh salsa. Tomatoes now on the market are considered safe to eat, health officials have said since last week.

The Texas plant, Agricola Zaragosa, has agreed to recall its fresh jalapenos, although the FDA wouldn't say how widely its produce was distributed. It is not considered a major processor, and it's unclear how far into the U.S. peppers traveling through this small stop near the Mexican border would have traveled, something the FDA still is working to determine.

It's not clear if the produce distributor ever handled tomatoes. No other produce currently in the plant has tested positive for salmonella, Acheson said.

"I recognize there is a need to narrow this as soon as possible," Acheson added—as parts of the country are entering prime hot pepper season.

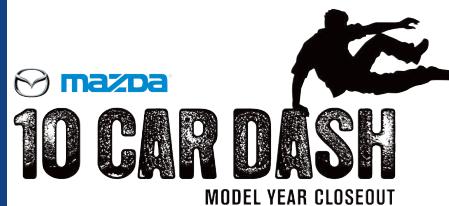
A person who answered the phone at Agricola Zaragosa said no one was available to comment.

With 1,251 confirmed cases in 43 states—and a few among Canadian travelers to the U.S.—the outbreak isn't over yet, said Dr. Robert Tauxe of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

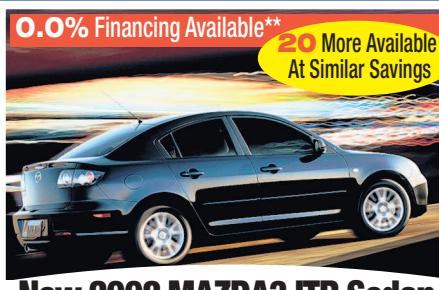




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By Kyra Kyles

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The truth is out there for the CTA-Files

On Friday, "The X-Files: I Want to Believe" hits movie theaters, enabling fictional agents Mulder and Scully of previous TV fame to again plumb the darkest depths of extraterrestrial mystery.

The film's release inspired "Going Public" to seek answers to another source of mysteries: the CTA. You know the drill. Riders from all over the city contribute to these queries, and I work with the CTA to solve them.

MYSTERY NO. 1

Too much baggage

Several riders have contacted "Going Public" via e-mail about the sheer number of strollers, suitcases and baggage brought aboard buses and trains. One South Side rider wrote in about potential safety hazards of three and four strollers aboard some buses.

Rogers Park rider Erica Crawford even took a photo of a No. 147-Outer Drive Express bus aisle blocker, which I posted on redeyechicago.com/ctablog.

"I am wondering if it was just me, or does anyone else think that there should be a limit on how much stuff you bring on the bus and the train?" Crawford, 38, wrote in an e-mail to "Going Public." "I mean, the bus and train is not U-Haul."

No, Crawford, it's not just you. Unfortunately, there are no carry-on capacity limits on CTA vehicles, at least according to CTA spokeswoman Sheila Gregory. But there is a bright spot:

"An operator can use discretion to determine if there is sufficient space to accommodate the items," Gregory said, adding that strollers and other items should not block doors or impede other customers. Gregory said bus operators can ask individuals with strollers to fold them, or request that stroller rollers wait for the next bus if folding isn't feasible.

MYSTERY NO. 2

Disappearing rack act

Albany Park's Daniel Dirnberger is excited about the public transit perks of the ongoing \$530 million Brown Line capacity expansion project. "I love the fact that the CTA is finally fixing the old stations on the Brown Line," Dirnberger, 27, wrote in an e-mail to "Going Public."

Enjoy that warm glow for a second. Now, for the mystery:

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Send "Going Public" a mass-transit mystery you'd like to see solved, or sound off about any other aspect of your commute. E-mail us at goingpublic@tribune.com, and please include your full name, age and neighborhood, as we may run your comment in "Hey, CTA!" on Wednesday.

He wondered if the CTA would reconsider its redesign of Kimball, which included placing the station's bike rack outdoors instead of inside, as before.

"Now that the bike racks have been moved outside, I've had one bike stolen and another vandalized," Dirnberger wrote. "Please, CTA, can you move the bike racks back into the station?"

Sorry, Daniel. The answer to this mystery is clear—and quite possibly contrary to what riders with bike-safety concerns might want to hear.

"There currently are no plans to add indoor bike racks at Kimball," Gregory said.

MYSTERY NO. 3

Dude, where's my stop?

Have you ever stepped up to your bus stop only to find it MIA?

Well, that happened recently to No. 56-Milwaukee riders who boarded the bus at West Evergreen and North Milwaukee Avenues. Don't blame alien intervention. The CTA confirmed that it was responsible for getting rid of that stop, as the agency decided that riders could feasibly make use of another stop about one block away, Gregory said. Periodically, the agency eradicates what they perceive to be extra stops to improve overall route performance and speed of service, according to Gregory.



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NAP HAPPY

Catching up on your ZZZs may improve your health, experts say—plus, the \$150 siesta

By Tracy Swartz
REDEYE

Napping isn't just for your grandpa anymore.

Sleep-deprived Americans are increasingly turning to the power nap and afternoon siesta to restore alertness and enhance performance, studies show. And here's an eye-opener: Spa patrons are shelling out big bucks just to snooze.

The Kohler Waters Spa at Burr Ridge, which opened in April, offers a 60-minute massage with a 15-minute restorative nap service for \$150. Meanwhile, Yelo, a New York City spa with air-conditioned sleep chambers, plans to open a Chicago location in 2009 or 2010, according to the company.

"We are seeing so many of our guests coming in that are having trouble sleeping at night," said Jean Kolb, Kohler's wellness

business director. "This is a way for us to really extend an opportunity for them to have total relaxation."

But a catnap may not be the answer to bedtime bliss. Some sleep scientists say

napping can negatively affect nighttime sleeping and make you groggy. Meanwhile, other researchers say dozing can relax, rejuvenate and improve health.

A six-year study released last year by the Harvard School of Public Health and

the University of Athens Medical School in Greece found midday napping at least three times per week for at least 30 minutes reduced heart disease deaths by about one-third among men and women. The study focused on 23,681 Greeks who had no history of coronary heart disease, stroke or cancer.

Napping also takes the edge off sleepi-

COVER STORY



ness by adding to cumulative sleep time, said Gregory Belenky, a sleep researcher at Washington State University.

"You can split your sleep up and still have the same aggregate effect," Belenky said. "Nap early, nap often."

Lisa Shives, president of Northshore Sleep Medicine in Evanston, disagrees. Typically people who nap often have a sleeping problem or a medical condition, she said.

One drawback to napping is sleep inertia—the feeling of disorientation when awaking from a deep slumber, Shives said. People who insist on snoozing should keep the nap to 30 minutes or less to avoid getting into the deep sleep cycle, she said.

"If you try to take a nap and it's too long, you wake up super groggy," said Shives, a spokeswoman for the American Academy of Sleep Medicine based in Westchester. "That is not a good thing for anyone who needs to work immediately. They really haven't made themselves feel better."

But if you're a napper, rest assured:

You're in good company.

Fifty-four percent of the 1,000 Americans polled in a 2007 survey by the National Sleep Foundation said they took at least one nap during the prior month. The respondents on average took 3.5 naps during the month, with an average reported nap time of about an hour.

People are even dozing at work. One in 10 respondents to the National Sleep Foundation survey said they have napped at work. About one-third said their employer allows them to nap during breaks, while 16 percent of respondents said their employer provides a place for employees to nap.

Employees of PerkSpot, a Ravenswood company that manages employee discount programs on behalf of employers, have the opportunity to catch up on their ZZZs on the office futon, which has pillows but no blanket. Since the futon was introduced about a year ago, a few of the firm's 10 employees take a nap there each week, PerkSpot founder Chris Hill said.

"We thought it would be a nice place to



[AP FILE PHOTO]

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sit. It just turned into more of a napping-focused piece of furniture," Hill said. "It has been used on occasion when we pull all-nighters. Get a couple hours sleep on there, then back to work at 9."

Instead of catching shut-eye at work, Adam Joffe of River North prefers to nap an hour at home. Joffe said he enjoys taking a snooze Friday evenings after a long week of working and law school at Chicago-Kent College.

Typically, he'll lie down on his couch around 6 p.m. and wake up around 7:30 p.m., refreshed and ready to go out for the night.

Joffe said he'd like to take more naps if he had the time—he was an everyday napper in college—but he'd never pay for a quick snooze.

"Nothing beats the comfort of my own couch," Joffe, 27, said.

Still, other napsters prefer a fancier snooze. The Kohler spa in Burr Ridge has performed more than 50 custom massages with restorative naps since the spa opened April 21, Kolb said. After their 60-minute

massage, spa patrons stay on the massage table, and the massage therapist covers their eyes with a warm aromatherapy towel and lowers the lights. Patrons are awakened 15 minutes later to the sound of a tuning fork and bowl.

In New York City, the Yelo spa charges \$15 for a 20-minute nap in its YeloCab, a private space with a reclining chair, cashmere blankets and purified air. Customers chose the color and intensity of the light in the cabin and their hibernation sounds (environmental or music).

Pamela Spiegel, a Yelo account executive, said the company plans to expand to Chicago in the next two years but a location has not yet been picked.

Ryan Wyse of Crystal Lake said he wouldn't pay for a nap or take a quick snooze for free. Wyse said he dislikes naps because they make him feel groggy—and his former roommate napped all the time.

"It drove me crazy," said Wyse, 31. "He was snoring on the couch. I'm like, 'Go do something.'" TSWARTZ@TRIBUNE.COM

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Are you a napaholic? Tell us why you love or hate naps by e-mailing ritaredeye@tribune.com. Please include your full name, age and neighborhood.



The laws of napping

Hey nappers, here's a wake-up call: There are rules against dozing on the CTA and in Chicago laundromats.

On the CTA, passengers can be cited if they sleep "in such a way as to impede or pose a hazard to other customers or to interfere with the operation of the bus or train," according to CTA spokeswoman Wanda Taylor. Violators

face fines between \$100 to \$300.

Metra spokeswoman Judy Pardonnet said there are no rules against napping on Metra trains and passengers "definitely" take snoozes.

Meanwhile, no one is permitted to sleep in a Chicago laundromat, according to city municipal code. If a person is found snoozing at a laundromat, the business owner faces a violation. Efrat Stein, spokeswoman for the city Department of Business Affairs and Licensing, said no laundromat has been ticketed under that ordinance. [T.S.]



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SNOOZE CLUES

Don't worry, be happy. Sleep experts gave RedEye their tips on getting the most out of your snooze.

>> Pick the right time to take a nap. If you nap too late, you may have trouble sleeping later, said Gregory Belenky, a sleep researcher with Washington State University. "It's easier to take a nap in the afternoon," he said.

>> Avoid caffeine, tobacco and alcohol prior to dozing to increase your chances of sleeping better, said Vaughn McCall, medical director of the Sleep Center at Wake Forest University in North Carolina.

>> Avoid exercising three to four hours before trying to sleep, McCall said. Exercising boosts metabolism and energizes the body.

>> The right environment is key to a good nap, McCall said. Set the thermostat to a low temperature because your body eases into a sounder sleep when cool. Make sure your sleeping quarters are dark; use room darkening shades so light doesn't interrupt your sleep.

>> Invest in a mattress with maximum pressure relief and push-back support, McCall said.

>> Stretching out flat makes for a better quality sleep, Belenky said.

>> Sleep so you're not disturbed, Belenky said. Eliminate as much noise as possible, McCall advises.

[T.S.]

>> If you're looking for a quick jolt, try to take a nap for 20 to 30 minutes, the National Sleep Foundation recommends.



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Reports: Loyola medical school mistreated animals

Chicago Tribune

U.S. Department of Agriculture inspections of Loyola University's medical school found numerous violations of the federal Animal Welfare Act, including improper procedures that resulted in the deaths of rabbits and dogs.

Three inspection reports of Loyola's biomedical research from 2006 and 2007 obtained by an animal rights group under the Freedom of Information Act revealed poor veterinary care, inadequately trained personnel and sloppy record keeping. Rabbits died from bacterial infections, and dogs died after they were not sufficiently monitored after surgery, the agency found.

In an October procedure, a rabbit suffered a fracture during a bone-marrow transplant and died the following day, according to the reports.

In another case, a rabbit was observed as not doing well on Oct. 3, but laboratory records failed to indicate it was given any treatment or considered for euthanasia before it died Oct. 9.

At least five other rabbits also died from bacterial infections or "significant lesions" after medical procedures, according to a November inspection report.

"We would call them the worst laboratory in the state of Illinois and possibly one of the worst in the nation," said Michael Budkie, executive director of Stop Animal Exploitation Now.

His Ohio-based group obtained inspection reports for about 40 Illinois labs, including the three for Loyola's Stritch School of Medicine, he said.

The government's most recent inspection of Loyola's medical school in May found no violations, according to USDA spokeswoman Karen Eggert.

"Any time an animal is in an uncomfortable position or dies, we take that very seriously," Eggert said. "They have corrected their issues."

The USDA did not fine or discipline the school.

Loyola University said in a statement that "treating research animals in a humane fashion is a top priority." Research studies "in which animal health or welfare was at risk" have been discontinued, Loyola spokesman Jim Ritter said.

LETTER OF THE LAW
The Animal Welfare Act requires regular observation of animals to assess their health.



Police Chief Paul VanDeraa (center) meets Monday with the media outside village police headquarters in Crete.

[TERENCE ANTONIO JAMES/Tribune photo]

Authorities investigating death of 12-year-old boy

Chicago Tribune

Authorities on Monday were investigating the weekend death of a 12-year-old special-needs child from Crete whose family had been the subject of abuse allegations, most recently in April.

Paramedics were called to the Crete home about 7:40 p.m. Friday because the child, Kevin Johnson, was unconscious and not breathing. He died Sunday morning at Children's Memorial Hospital.

The case was classified a death investigation pending results from an autopsy set for Tuesday, said Police Chief Paul VanDeraa.

No one was in custody in connection with the boy's death, and his two caretakers have been cooperative with police, VanDeraa said.

"It's a tragedy for any 12-year-old to die of any cause," the chief said. "As a parent, it grieves me to see that this boy isn't going to reach his 13th birthday."

Kevin and his three biological brothers were adopted in 2000 by an elderly Crete couple who gained custody of the

AN 'EASYGOING YOUNG MAN'

Kevin Johnson had just completed 6th grade at Balmoral Elementary School, where he was one of 12 special-education students in a small classroom, district officials said. "Kevin was a very happy, easygoing young man," said Christine Putlak, director of special education for Crete-Monee School District. "He was an excellent student, and he wanted to please everyone and he enjoyed learning."

siblings after they were removed from their biological parents, authorities and a family member said.

After the couple, Ola and Lester Johnson, died, the boys were left in the care of two relatives by adoption, family members said. Kevin and his brothers have since lived with their new guardians and the guardians' five children in a brick house in the 3400 block of Beckwith Lane.

After Kevin's death, the Department of Children and Family Services removed the remaining eight children, whose ages range from 2 to 17 years old, VanDeraa said.

The boy's guardian told police Kevin suffered from seizures.

DCFS officials said the guardians were seeking legal custody of the boys.

The agency had contact with the family in 2007 and 2008, said Kendall Marlowe, a DCFS spokesman. In 2007, the agency was called to investigate allegations another child in the home had abused Kevin, said Marlowe, who said he did not know the details of the investigation.

DCFS was asked to look into allegations the guardians were abusing Kevin in April, Marlowe said. The second case remains open and had not yet been looked into, he said.

Despite the two allegations, Kevin and the other children had not been removed from the home, Marlowe said.

"This is a very complex case," he said. "We're deeply saddened by this tragedy."



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CHICAGO

FROM NEWS SERVICES

Holy Name protesters plead guilty

Six anti-war protesters who threw fake blood on worshipers during Easter service in Holy Name parish in March pleaded guilty Monday to misdemeanor charges.

Angela Haban, 21; Regan Maher, 25; Mercedes Phinaih, 19; Ephran Ramirez, 22; Donte Smith, 22; and Ryne Ziemba, 25, entered pleas of guilty to one count each of misdemeanor attempted criminal defacement of property, according to Andy Conklin, a spokesman for the Cook County state's attorney's office. Haban also pleaded guilty to one count of misdemeanor battery for coming into contact with a parishioner, he said.

The six, members of a group called Catholic School Girls Against the War, were arrested after they disrupted service during Cardinal Francis George's homily, squirting packets of fake blood over themselves and parishioners while shouting their opposition to the war in Iraq.

Each initially was charged with felony criminal defacement of property and two counts of misdemeanor battery and would have faced up to 5 years in prison if convicted on those charges.

As part of the plea agreement, the six will each pay \$2,600 in restitution to cover the cost of replacing carpet and an usher's clothing that was damaged by the fake blood, officials said.

"We got it reduced to a misdemeanor, so we're happy with that," said attorney Robert Ludeman, whose firm represented all but Haban. The Catholic Archdiocese of Chicago applauded the plea deals, saying that the protest during mass was an affront to the faith.

Roscoe Village man dies from fall

A Roscoe Village man died Sunday after accidentally falling from the second-floor balcony of his building, authorities said.

Matthew Fergus, 26, of the 2100 block of West Belmont Avenue died of multiple injuries as a result of the fall, according to the Cook County medical examiner's office, which ruled his death accidental. He was pronounced dead at 3:50 a.m. in Advocate Illinois Masonic Medical Center, medical examiner's officials said.

Chicago police were dispatched to the home about 11:30 p.m. Saturday, police Capt. Mike Ryan said. Fergus landed on his head, Ryan said, but he had no visible injuries.

A preliminary inspection by the city's Buildings Department did not find any structural problems with the metal porch or railing, according to a department spokesman.

The thumbs are out



Chicago Sun-Times movie critic Roger Ebert said he, like Sun-Times columnist Richard Roeper, is severing ties with "At the Movies" in anticipation of major changes for the syndicated program. Industry sources said that Disney is contemplating a reinvention of the movie review show with more of a Hollywood focus, along the lines of "Entertainment Tonight." [BUENA VISTA TELEVISION PHOTO]

It's a bird! It's a plane! It's Bill Murray!

Actor Bill Murray is scheduled to perform a tandem jump with the U.S. Army Parachute Team Golden Knights at the 50th annual Chicago Air & Water Show next month.

The Chicago-area native will perform with the same team that has jumped with former President George H.W. Bush, said Mary May, a spokeswoman for the Mayor's Office of Special Events. She said Murray, who is jumping on behalf of USO Illinois, an organization that provides support to wounded war veterans, will land at North Avenue Beach.

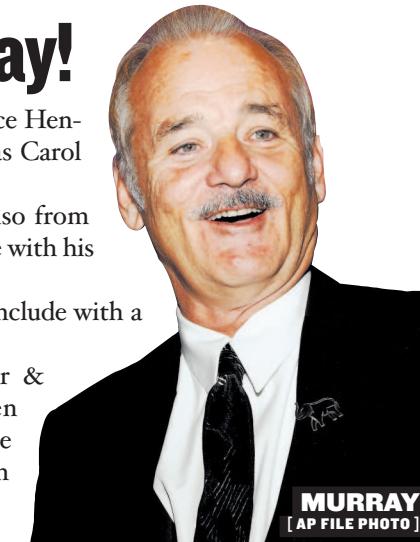
Murray's performance jump, which will begin about 3 p.m. Aug. 15, will be preceded by the singing

of the national anthem by Florence Henderson, best known for her role as Carol Brady on TV's "The Brady Bunch."

At 5 p.m., actor Gary Sinise, also from the Chicago area, will perform live with his band, the Lt. Dan Band, May said.

The evening's festivities will conclude with a fireworks display at 8:45 p.m.

Headlining the Aug. 15-17 Air & Water Show with the Golden Knights will be the Blue Angels, the U.S. Navy's flight demonstration squadron.



MURRAY
[AP FILE PHOTO]

FBI offers reward in murder, kidnapping case

The FBI announced a \$5,000 reward for information leading to the arrest of Benito Casanova, wanted in connection with a murder and kidnapping. Investigators believe Casanova fled to Mexico with his three children. Their mother, Sofia Garcia, was found slain in her Humboldt Park home on April 18. Casanova has been charged with her murder. He could be driving a 2002 Dodge Dakota with Illinois plates 86196H, according to the FBI. Call the bureau at 312-421-6700 with information.

Knife found near where girl was stabbed

A cleanup crew found a knife Monday near where a 9-year-old girl was found stabbed to death last week in Auburn Gresham. An intern with Cleanslate, a nonprofit beautification business, found the knife in a vacant lot about 100 feet from the alley where Mya Lyons' body was found, said Audrey Geddis, a crew chief. Geddis said the knife looked relatively new and had what appeared to be blood stains on it. Chicago police would not comment.

Man holds up bank on North Michigan Avenue

A Bank of America branch in the 500 block of North Michigan Avenue was robbed Monday afternoon, according to the Chicago office of the FBI. Authorities at the scene said a man entered the bank around 2:30 p.m. and slipped a bank teller a note. He then fled with an undisclosed amount of cash. No weapon was displayed, officials at the scene said. There were no injuries in the incident.

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FROM NEWS SERVICES

1 Fire standoff

A gunman in Maplewood, Mo., shot at firefighters responding to a report of a burning pickup truck early Monday, killing one, then opened fire on other emergency workers, wounding two.



[AP PHOTO]

2 Lightning injures 10

Authorities in Boston say a lightning strike injured 10 people taking shelter under a tree during a thunderstorm at a soccer game. The youngest victim was 13 years old, while the oldest was in his 40s.

3 Pool death charges

A swimming pool company president was charged Monday with manslaughter in connection with the drowning of a 6-year-old boy whose arm was trapped by the suction of a powerful drain pump. Police in Greenwich, Conn., said David Lionetti "recklessly caused the death" of Zachary Cohn by failing to have his company install mandated safety devices.

4 Soldier attacked

A Ft. Bliss soldier's husband kicked her in the face, stabbed and raped her before abducting her from her off-post apartment last week and taking her to Nevada, police said Monday. The soldier turned up wounded but alive in El Paso on Sunday night.

5 School: U can't txt

A new school district policy in Hattiesburg, Miss., prohibits teachers from texting or communicating with students through sites such as MySpace. The school board was concerned that casual contact between teachers and students would be unprofessional.

6 Hyundai check

The government is investigating as many as 167,000 Hyundai Elantra compact cars from model years 2007 and 2008 after receiving reports of engine stalling, officials said Monday.

DIGIT

100 Wind speed (in mph) reported in thunderstorms that slammed into parts of Iowa on Monday morning. In Dawson, damage was reported after the extremely strong storms came through with high winds, but little rain.

Unfit truckers causing fatal wrecks

7 WASHINGTON Tractor-trailer and bus drivers in the U.S. have suffered seizures, heart attacks or unconscious spells behind the wheel that led to deadly crashes on highways. Hundreds of thousands of drivers carry commercial licenses even though they also qualify for full federal disability payments, according to a new U.S. safety study obtained by The Associated Press.

The problems threatening highway travelers persist despite years of government warnings and hundreds of deaths and injuries blamed on commercial truck and bus drivers who blacked out, collapsed or suffered major health problems behind the wheels of vehicles that can

weigh 40 tons or more.

The U.S. agency responsible for cracking down on unfit truckers, the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, acknowledges it hasn't completed any of eight recommendations that U.S. safety regulators have proposed since 2001. One would set minimum standards for officials who determine whether truckers are medically safe to drive. Another would prevent truckers from "doctor shopping" to find a physician who might overlook a risky health condition. It's unclear whether any of the eight recommendations will be done before President Bush leaves office.

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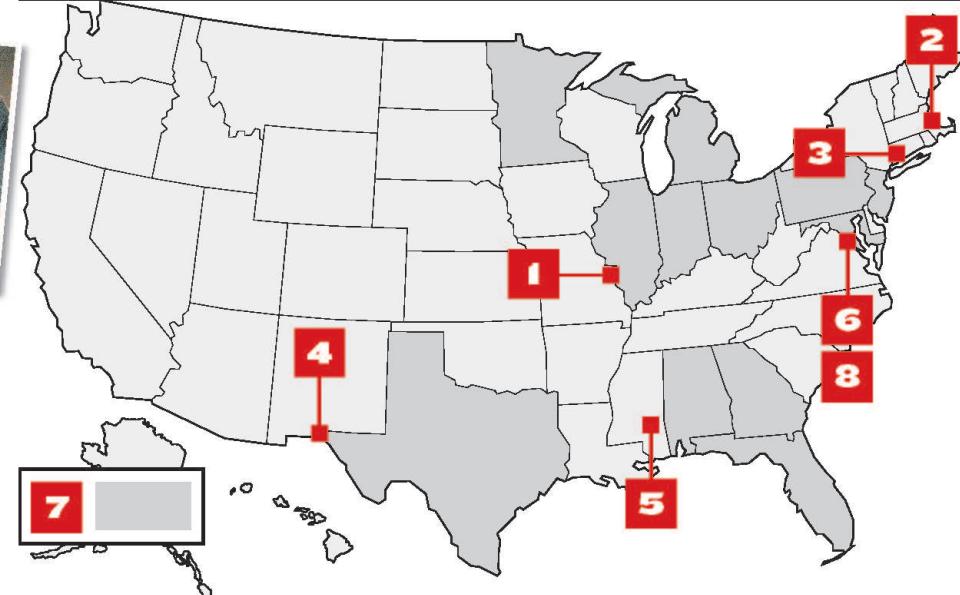
Texas, Maryland, Georgia, Florida, Indiana, Pennsylvania, Illinois, Michigan, Alabama, New Jersey, Minnesota and Ohio were states where drivers were sanctioned most frequently for breaking medical rules, such as failing to carry a valid medical certificate. Those 12 states accounted for half of all such violations in the U.S.

FLASHBACK**REWIND**

The Super Bowl halftime show in 2004 viewed by 90 million ended with a Justin Timberlake song and the Janet Jackson breast-baring "wardrobe malfunction."

**FAST FORWARD**

A federal appeals court on Monday threw out a \$550,000 indecency fine against CBS, citing the Federal Communications Commission "acted arbitrarily and capriciously" in issuing the fine for the fleeting image of nudity.



8 WASHINGTON President Bush gave U.S. Olympians a rousing White House send-off to next month's games in Beijing, urging them Monday to "compete swifter, higher and stronger" but also be mindful they will be "ambassadors of liberty" to the people of China and elsewhere. Here, he smiles as USA Softball Olympic team member Jennie Finch gives him a jersey. [GETTY IMAGES PHOTO]

U.S. troops key part of Obama visit to Iraq

BAGHDAD After talks with Democratic presidential candidate Barack Obama on Monday, Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki reaffirmed that Iraq wants U.S. combat troops to withdraw from Iraq by the end of 2010, a few months later than Obama had proposed.

Ali Dabbagh, the prime minister's spokesman, said al-Maliki and Obama didn't discuss specifics during the hour-long meeting. But he said the Iraqi government would like to see all American combat troops out of the country by the end of 2010, a bit later than Obama's proposal to draw down all combat brigades within 16 months after he'd become president.

"Barack Obama showed his support to this government," Dabbagh said. "He came to listen to our views and the views of the prime minister. And the prime minister gave him his point of view about the presence of U.S. forces and ... what we want from the forces."

"We had a very constructive discussion," Obama said upon leaving the meeting at the prime minister's private residence in Baghdad's fortified Green Zone.



1 LEICESTER, England Kate and Gerry McCann spoke to the media Monday during a press conference where it was announced that they have been cleared as suspects in the disappearance of their daughter, Madeleine, who disappeared in Portugal in 2007. [GETTY IMAGES PHOTO]



2 COPENHAGEN It's beginning to look a lot like Christmas, everywhere you go in Denmark. Well, at least in Copenhagen, where Santa Claus garb is the in fashion at a parade where Santas from around the world are gathering for their annual three-day congress. Wait, how can there be more than one Santa? We thought ... [AP PHOTO]



3 MANILA Residents retrieve whatever belongings they can find after a fire razed a slum area Monday, injuring at least four people. [GETTY IMAGES PHOTO]



4 SYDNEY Pope Benedict concludes World Youth Day activities by thanking volunteers at The Domain. Organized every two to three years by the Catholic Church, World Youth Day is an invitation from the pope to the youth of the world to celebrate their faith. [GETTY IMAGES PHOTO]

FROM NEWS SERVICES

WORLD

Epic lines could worsen at Tijuana crossing

5 TIJUANA, Mexico It looks like any Southern California traffic jam—except you can buy a cappuccino and a 4-foot statue of Jesus from your car while watching dogs sniff vehicles for drugs.

This is the U.S.-Mexico border's most congested crossing, where local residents say already epic lines into San Diego have grown even longer since January, when the U.S. began phasing out a long-standing practice of allowing people they believed to be American citizens to enter by simply stating their citizenship.

Border guards now require most crossers to present a U.S. passport or other proof of citizenship, such as a birth certificate—though they still are permitted to exercise their own judgment in order to keep lines moving. As always, Mexican citizens and other foreign nationals must show valid immigration documents to enter.

THE WAIT

More than half the 21 million cars crossing from Tijuana each year wait 90 minutes or more, with a fourth stuck for more than two hours, according to survey data collected before the January rule change by Tijuana's College of the Northern Frontier.

Still longer waits may be coming for people trying to get to jobs, homes, in-laws and weekend hangouts are scattered across both halves of the border's largest metropolis.

As of next June, all U.S. citizens will have to present a passport or security-enhanced card, much like an electronic toll tag, to cross—or risk being waved out of line for a rigorous security check.

**Changes in France**

6 French President Nicolas Sarkozy's risky bid to rewrite France's political rules with sweeping constitutional changes worked—but just barely—with both houses of parliament meeting in special session Monday to pass the measures by a single vote. The reform gives parliament greater power but also adds new privileges to France's already strong presidency.

War crimes trial

7 The first Guantanamo war crimes trial began Monday with a not guilty plea from a former driver and alleged bodyguard for Osama bin Laden. Salim Hamdan, a Yemeni, entered the plea through his lawyer at the U.S. Navy base in Cuba. He is the first prisoner to face a U.S. war crimes trial since World War II.

Rice blasts Iran

U.S. Secretary of State Condoleezza Rice accused Iran on Monday of not being serious at weekend talks about its disputed nuclear program despite the presence of a senior U.S. diplomat, and warned it may soon face new sanctions. Rice said Iran had given the run-around to envoys from the U.S. and five other world powers.

Drenched by Dolly

8 Tropical Storm Dolly drenched the Yucatan Peninsula around Cancun, Mexico, on Monday and was poised to plunge into the Gulf of Mexico, where it could grow into a hurricane on a preliminary track that would carry it near the Texas-Mexico border. A hurricane watch is in effect for parts of Texas.

THE DIGIT**56**

Number of people trapped Monday after a coal mine flooded in southern China, according to China's Xinhua News Agency. China's mines are the world's deadliest, with explosions, cave-ins and floods killing nearly 3,800 people last year.

iSPORTS

Bears, Urlacher dodge contract turmoil with new deal

Chicago Tribune

Now that the Bears have appeased the face of the franchise before training camp, they can focus on appealing to the future of the offensive line.

Brian Urlacher agreed Monday to the one-year contract extension that pushes his current contract through 2012 and includes almost \$18 million in new money, \$6 million in bonuses.

Through all the hand-wringing in the last year over an arthritic back and surgically repaired neck, the Bears maintained that Urlacher would be fine by camp. Now they backed up those bold conclusions with a \$6 million signing bonus and \$1 million a year raise over the next four seasons for a 30-year-old player starting his ninth season.

The \$7.5 million salary and \$500,000 workout bonus in 2012 backloads the deal and inflates the real worth of the contract.

That's irrelevant now. Now, both sides can celebrate victory in a negotiation that looked for a long time like neither side could win.

Bill Johnson, Urlacher's agent, still has some unfinished business as he attempts to close the deal on another client—left tackle Chris Williams, the Bears' first-round draft pick.

As of Monday, it was unclear exactly where talks stood on the matter, and the deadline for players to report to camp in Bourbonnais is midnight Tuesday.

Johnson said the Bears have worked diligently to get something done before the start of practice Wednesday afternoon.

Williams, the No. 14 overall pick in this spring's draft, vowed not to be a holdout when he was introduced to the Chicago media after completion of the draft. Based on salary projections, he is likely to sign a five-year contract with somewhere near \$9 million guaranteed.

Getting Williams in camp will be essential for the Bears, considering the way the offensive line struggled last season. The Bears yielded 43 sacks, part of the reason veterans Fred Miller and Ruben Brown were let go.

Once Williams inks his deal, the Bears will be left with one last business matter—Devin Hester. The most electrifying return man in the NFL agreed to a new deal last week—with Under Armour, that is. While his endorsements continue to stack up, Hester wants his money from the Bears to do the same.

He is signed through 2009 and it is unclear how much the Bears are willing to offer him, with no other contract to measure his worth against. Hester wants to get paid receiver money, but the Bears are more inclined to make him the highest-paid special-team player.

BONUS OR BOGUS?

How other contracts stack up

The Bears have made several recent decisions about key players and their contracts. But it's debatable if they'll help or hurt. [REDEYE, TRIBUNE]

BRIAN URLACHER

The impasse with Urlacher threatened to be a distraction throughout training camp—that in itself is a win. The new deal was only \$1 million more in signing bonus money than what was reported as the Bears' original offer.

VERDICT



CEDRIC BENSON

The Bears got virtually little in return on the \$16 million bonus he signed in 2005 before cutting the troubled running back. And don't give us the "addition by subtraction" spiel.

VERDICT

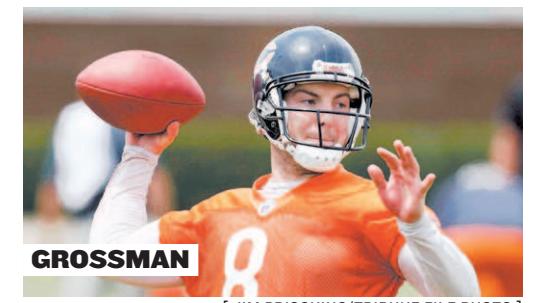


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LANCE BRIGGS

After an ugly, well-publicized contract dispute in March, the linebacker signed a six-year, \$36 million contract in March that includes \$13 million guaranteed. Briggs said he's "happy" with his contract, despite rumblings he already wants a better deal. Bottom line: He's no longer talking about his bottom line.

VERDICT



GROSSMAN

[JIM PRISCHING/TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO]

HE'S ALL LACH'D UP

POLL POSITION

Chicagotribune.com asked: "What Bears issue needs to be resolved most by the end of training camp?"
 Who is the starting quarterback? **55.1%**
 How will Ron Turner use his new weapons? **13.5%**
 Will Mike Brown make it a whole season? **12.8%**
 Who will be the go-to receiver? **8.4%**
 Matt Forte vs. Kevin Jones? **6.3%**
 How will Brian Urlacher's neck hold up? **3.9%**



URLACHER

CANINE LINES

By Whizzer
REDEYESPORTS@TRIBUNE.COM

**1 I'll take it**

Nice to see the Bears and Brian Urlacher reach a compromise. It might not have been what Urlacher wanted, but I would gladly "compromise" for a \$6 million signing bonus.

2 Who's got next?

Now, can we see about fixing this quarterback situation. I think we could "compromise" with Brett Favre, eh?

3 Too soon?

The only real problem with this Urlacher-Bears stuff? Isn't it a bit early to be obsessing about football when baseball is treating us so well?

4 The real Kerry Wood

The oft-injured, disabled-list mainstay Kerry Wood I know is back. It's at once comforting knowing some things never change but scary knowing how much the Cubs depend on him.

5 Lance chance

Lance Armstrong was signing baseballs for members of the White Sox before Monday's game. I'm sorry to say Kate Hudson was nowhere to be seen.

6 Bulletproof

Sox right-fielder Jermaine Dye was OK after being hit in the left knee by a pitch for the second game in a row Sunday. If he were a Cub, he'd be in a wheelchair.

7 See ya—maybe

President Bush gave U.S. Olympians a rousing sendoff on Monday. Let's hope he sent them to Beijing and not Iraq.

8 It's a good cause

Baseball officials are meeting with the founder of savethefamegame.com, devoted to saving the Hall of Fame game. That reminds me to start my savedanicapatruck.com site.

9 Shockey and awe

The New Orleans Saints traded for star tight end Jeremy Shockey. Just what that city needs: More hot air blowing into town.

FIVE SITES ...

... I also intend to start:
 >> savejenniefinch.com
 >> saveannakournikova.com
 >> savemilkaduno.com
 >> saveashleyforce.com
 >> saverexgrossman.com—not!

ROBBIE GOULD

He became the highest paid kicker in the NFL by agreeing to a five-year, \$15.5 million contract extension that includes a \$4.25 million signing bonus. Gould's well liked in Chicago, but it's those kinds of scratch-your-head signings that tend to haunt teams down the road.

VERDICT

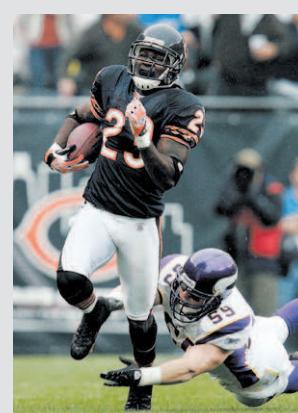
Bogus

**DEVIN HESTER**

The dynamic return man and budding receiver signed for a total of \$1.26 million in guaranteed money as a rookie in 2006. Clearly that's a steal, but the Bears aren't risking offending Hester and have started a dialogue with his agent.

VERDICT

Bonus



[JIM PRISCHING/TRIBUNE FILE PHOTO]

REX GROSSMAN

The Bears and Grossman agreed to a one-year deal for \$3 million. He could win the starting quarterback job and still not fit into the team's long-term plans, which would give both sides a fresh start. Very little risk here.

VERDICT

Bonus



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Tracy Swartz

TOPIC 1: WHY DID A COURT THROW OUT A FINE FOR JANET JACKSON'S 'WARDROBE MALFUNCTION'?

Because the real obscenity is Justin Timberlake spoofing his part in Nipplegate on the ESPYs Sunday.

The FCC doesn't want to feel hypocritical when The Eagles perform in the nude next year.

She flashed the judge.

They wanted to nipple it in the bud.

The FCC was making mountains out of molehills so the court nipped it in the bud.

TOPIC 2: WHY DON'T BEIJING OFFICIALS WANT MASSEUSES AND FORTUNE TELLERS AROUND FOR THE OLYMPICS?

They're also banning dog meat, but I don't see anyone barking about that.

Both are obsolete: Chairs do the massaging and "Terminator" already predicted the future.

The last fortune teller/masseuse I had told me there was a certain ending in my future.

I knew you were going to write that.

They worry they would take attention away from fortune cookies and the corresponding MeSSaGe.

TOPIC 3: WHO KNEW GREG ODEN COULD PLAY PIANO AND SING? WHAT OTHER TALENTS ARE ATHLETES HIDING?

From multiple trips to the DL, Kerry Wood has learned how to fake his own death.

Yankees closer Mariano Rivera can look into your soul.

Kerry Wood has been on the disabled list for every known physical ailment.

While it has never been seen, some folks say Rex Grossman can play quarterback.

Tom Brady couldn't successfully hide his talent in the booty pageant.

TOPIC 4: MADISON MALLARDS FANS ATE BEETLES TO EARN ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT-AND-DRINK TICKETS. THOUGHTS?

It's a basic moral principle, Wisconsin: "See no weevil, hear no weevil, eat no weevil."

So ... they lost their dignity when they ate the bugs or when they became Mallards fans?

Most stadium hot dogs are no less than 40 percent beetle anyway, so what's the diff?

Where I'm from, that's called beetle-killing. And it sickens me.

The only way to escape the Netherworld is to say Beetlejuice three times.

TOPIC 5: JESSICA SIMPSON DEDICATED 'YOU'RE MY SUNDAY' TO TONY ROMO AT A CONCERT. WHAT'S HIS SONG FOR HER?

If he ever wises up, "Beat It."

A suggestive cover of "I Kissed a Girl."

"Move, [bleep], get out the way. Get out the way, [bleep], get out the way."

Theme from "Shaft."

"These Boobs Are Made for Walkin'."

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HOMETOWN HITS



RANGERS 6, SOX 1

Josh Hamilton hit a three-run home run and Hank Blalock added a two-run shot to power the Texas Rangers to a 6-1 win on Monday night, handing the White Sox (55-43) their third straight loss, all at home.

>> X-rays were negative on RF Jermaine Dye, who got hit by a pitch on the left knee for the second consecutive game Sunday. Dye hopes to return to the starting lineup Tuesday night.



If the Bulls want to sign Luol Deng to a contract extension, they have weeks, not months, to do so. Though the official deadline to reach an extension isn't until Oct. 31, Deng's camp has made clear to the Bulls that negotiations won't continue past the forward's early-August commitment to Britain's national team.



Corey Crawford will get another year to prove he's the Blackhawks' goaltender of the future. The Hawks signed the 23-year-old restricted free agent to a one-year deal Monday.



Illinois-Chicago basketball coach Jimmy Collins is expected to have his salary increased from \$280,706 to \$299,027 when the university's Board of Trustees meets Thursday.



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TUESDAY: 7 P.M., WMME-CH. 23

>> Rookie center Sylvia Fowles has agreed to play in the off-season for the top Russian pro team Spartak Moscow.

RADIO

Sun-Times sportswriters Brian Hanley and Mike Mulligan have officially nailed down the 6-10 a.m. The Score (670-AM) morning gig vacated by Mike North.

NEWSPAPERS

Jerome Holtzman, a longtime Chicago baseball writer who made the Hall of Fame, created the baseball saves rule and later became Major League Baseball's official historian, has died. He was 82. Holtzman died Saturday in Evanston.

MACKINAC

At least 95 of the 434 boats that started the Chicago to Mackinac Island yacht race have crossed the finish line as of Monday night. Genuine Risk was first to finish the 333-mile course up Lake Michigan at 2:18 a.m. Monday with a time of 35 hours, 8 minutes.



WOOD
[AP PHOTO]

Blistering questions

Wood no longer headed for the disabled list—for now

Kerry Wood has been ruled out for the rest of the three-game series against the Arizona Diamondbacks but no longer appears headed for the disabled list.

Because starting pitchers worked into the seventh inning in all three games in Houston, including an eight-inning start by Ryan Dempster on Sunday, manager Lou Piniella decided he can get by without replacing Wood—for the time being anyway.

"We're fortunate," Piniella said before Monday's game. "Our starting pitching was working well in Houston, worked the bulk of the innings. Our bullpen is very rested. We can afford to carry [Wood] for a few more days."

Wood hasn't pitched since July 11 because of a blister on his index finger. He visited a hand specialist Monday in Phoenix and is trying a different kind of

ointment to heal it.

Wood's blister problem began in the final week of June and has lingered on for almost a month now. He said last week that the blister began to develop about three weeks earlier "and gradually got worse." But he continued pitching through it, with treatment by the Cubs training staff, until the bubble finally burst, figuratively speaking.

"I was getting a couple days off here and there, depending on how the games went, then dealing with it every day, taking care of it, getting it ready to go, covering up with stuff, and soaking it," he said. "The St. Louis game (on July 5, when Wood blew a late lead after saving the game the night before) it finally ripped open on me, and then it's been pretty sensitive since."

Wood had a blister problem before, leaving a game against the Mets after seven innings in April 2002.

Piniella said Wood will take Tuesday off and then throw in the bullpen Wednesday. He'll be evaluated then, with the hope he will be available for the four-game series against Florida that starts Thursday.

CUBS HITS

The Cubs game against the Diamondbacks in Arizona did not finish before press time. Visit chicago.sports.com for full coverage.



MOUTHWATCH

"Hey, I'm back. Get ready for a show."

CHAD JOHNSON

[Cincinnati Bengals receiver on returning to the Bengals after lobbying for a trade]

AT THE BUZZER

Play poker with the pros

A new interactive show at the Venetian Resort Hotel-Casino in Las Vegas will let spectators test their poker skills against some of the game's most famous players. "The Real Deal!" starting in the fall will let audience members play against players like Doyle Brunson, Daniel Negreanu and Phil Hellmuth Jr. onstage using touch-screen devices at their seats.

Shockey traded to Saints

Jeremy Shockey was traded to the Saints for two draft picks Monday, giving New Orleans a disgruntled star tight end who watched from afar while injured as the New York Giants surged to the Super Bowl title.

Jones seeks Bush's help

Disgraced Olympic track star Marion Jones has asked President Bush to commute her six-month prison sentence for lying to federal agents about her use of performance-enhancing drugs and a check-fraud scam. The Justice Department confirmed Monday that Jones is among hundreds of convicted felons who have applied for presidential pardons or sentence commutations, but would provide no further details.



On the DL

How many times has Kerry Wood been on the disabled list? Text "wood" and the number of your answer to 47383. You'll get a message telling you if you got the answer right.

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A little help from their friends

QUITE A DRAW You won't find local star chef Shawn McClain in the kitchen at The Drawing Room at Le Passage, but you'll see his influence on the menu. [JOSEPH MOHAN FILE PHOTO FOR METROMIX]



Local talents share the wealth in dining rooms and bars around town

By Fred Schlatter

Sure, there's such a thing as too many cooks in the kitchen. But if one of those cooks happens to really know his stuff and you're just getting started, well, why not ask for some help? Some call it outsourcing; we call it getting by with a little extra help from your friends. Either way, we think these local spots got it right when they contracted big-name locals to help out with their menus.

Juicy Wine Company (Mindy Segal)

Who: Mindy Segal made a name for herself creating lavish desserts at River North's celebrated MK before striking out on her own.

Home base: Loyal fans clamor for her seasonal pancakes, classic quiches and too-perfect mini-pastries—tiny scones, buns and breads—at Bucktown's **Hot Chocolate** (1747 N. Damen Ave. 773-489-1747).

Branching out: The wine-focused menu (and tight quarters) at **Juicy Wine Company** (694 N. Milwaukee Ave. 312-492-6620) leaves little room for elaborate dishes. Enter Segal, who put together a dessert for Juicy good enough to be the menu's sole dessert offering: The Chocolate Smackdown (\$12), a classic brownie, an impossibly dense chocolate pave and chocolate-caramel toffee with red wine-caramel sauce. Keep your eyes peeled: After its early-September opening, the **Park View Hotel** (1816 N. Clark St. 312-664-3040) will offer Segal's breakfast pastries to guests.



Spybar (John Kinder)

Who: Celebrated mixologist John Kinder focuses on simple combinations of clean, vibrant ingredients, often seasonal and often unexpected, but always balanced.

Home base: Kinder currently spends his days consulting and penning articles for trade magazines; he also has logged hours at serious cocktail spots such as **The Pump Room** (1301 N. State Pkwy. 312-266-0360), **MK** (868 N. Franklin St. 312-482-9179) and **Moxie** (3517 N. Clark St. 773-935-6694).

Branching out: Kinder put together a handful of mixers to accompany bottle service marking the recent rehab of **Spybar** (646 N. Franklin St. 312-337-2191). The Strawberry Drip is a balanced blend of strawberry and lemon juices with a lavender backbone—recommended alongside a bottle of Belvedere.



The Drawing Room (Shawn McClain)

Who: Shawn McClain burst onto the scene more than a decade ago at Evanston's now shuttered Trio. He went on to a succession of successful spots where he nails his own stylish brand of contemporary American.



Home base: In addition to seafood-oriented Spring (2039 W. North Ave. 773-395-7100), McClain helms vegetarian-focused **Green Zebra** (1460 W. Chicago Ave. 312-243-7100) and meat-centric **Custom House** (500 S. Dearborn St. 312-523-0200). Despite divergent inspirations, McClain's vision for clean, seasonal preparations remains consistent in dishes such as Custom House's sweetbreads with glazed bacon and trumpet mushrooms (\$12).

Branching out: McClain consulted on the menu at **The Drawing Room** (937 N. Rush St. 312-255-0022) when Gold Coast nightspot Le Passage changed ownership and added the more dining-focused lounge last year. His protege Nick Lacasse now executes the smart dishes nightly. Items such as Fish and Chips (\$10)—cod croquettes with preserved lemon aioli, malt vinegar powder and house-made potato chips—are designed to complement the lavish bar-cart cocktail service.

Berry Chill (Sarah Levy)

Who: After graduating from the French Pastry School, Sarah Levy struck out on her own and quickly gained a loyal following for her charming but not too precious approach to cakes, pastries, candies and small savories.



Home base: **Sarah's Pastries and Candies** (70 E. Oak St. 312-664-6223) attracts hordes of Oak Street window shoppers with flaky croissants and signature chocolate candies, plus drinks made with Intelligentsia blend coffee.

Branching out: When Michael Farah opened **Berry Chill** (635 N. State St. 312-266-2445), he knew he wanted to incorporate a local product. Levy's freshly made chocolate candies fit the bill perfectly as toppers for his tart frozen yogurt. Try the Rocky Road: milk chocolate-covered clusters of roasted pecans and mini-marshmallows.



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In your dreams

Bored with boy-meets-girl storylines? Try

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**FRI
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Water world

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Marking your place

Local design firm Coudal Partners solicited 140 essays from writers, artists and other creative types on the idea that the place you read influences your perception of what you read. Hear a sampling at the launch party for the resulting work, "**Field-Tested Books**," featuring Bust columnist Wendy McClure, Gapers Block editor Andrew Huff, syndicated humor columnist Mark Bazer and "Politically Correct Fairy Tales" author James Finn Garner. 7 p.m. Free. Fulton Lounge, 955 W. Fulton Market. 312-243-1107.



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■ The Wackness (R) 1:55,4:30,7:30,10:20
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■ Mamma Mia! (PG-13) 1:45,4:30,7:00,9:50
■ Journey-Center (PG) 1:00,3:15,5:25,7:35,9:55
■ Meet Dave (PG) 1:25,3:30,5:45,8:10,10:20
■ Hellboy-Army (PG-13) 1:05,2:00,4:10,4:45,6:50,7:35,9:40,10:15
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■ The Dark Knight (PG-13) 1:00,4:00,7:00,10:00
■ Hellboy-Army (PG-13) 12:10,2:30,5:10,7:40,9:45
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LOGAN THEATRE

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■ Kung Fu Panda (PG) 1:55,3:35,5:15,6:55,8:40
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LOGAN THEATRE (continued)

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■ Kung Fu Panda (PG) 3:00,5:10
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■ Iron Man (PG-13) 7:15 P.M.
■ Forget Sarah (R) 3:15,5:40,8:00

RIVER EAST 21 (AMC)

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■ Get Smart (PG-13) 3:30,10:05
■ Kung Fu Panda (PG) 12:20 P.M.
■ Sex & City (R) 12:30,6:45,7:40,10:20
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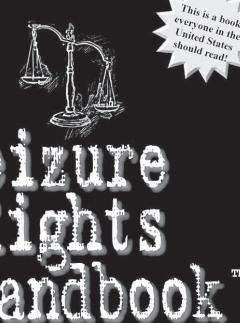
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Five first-half albums that deserve to be heard

The first half of 2008 has already seen some great albums. There has been the majestic (Sigur Ros' sunny new opus), the super hip (Vampire Weekend's much-anticipated debut), the ultra current (Girl Talk's sample-mad "Feed the Animals") and the chart-topping classic (Death Cab for Cutie with "Narrow Stairs").

But many of the best rock discs of the year so far have been defined by a strong connection to older forms of folk, country and blues. If you missed them, now's the time to catch up. [AP]



Fleet Foxes

"FLEET FOXES"

The sonorous, multipart harmonies of Seattle's Fleet Foxes bring to mind the Beach Boys. Led by Robin Pecknold's soaring vocals and acoustic guitar, the Fleet Foxes recall groups like Crosby, Stills & Nash or an unplugged My Morning Jacket, but the Fleet Foxes forge a radiant, dynamic folk idiom all their own. Their self-titled debut is the revelation of the year.



The Constantines

"KENSINGTON HEIGHTS"

The Ontario-based Constantines are, along with the Hold Steady, one of the bands today holding up Bruce Springsteen's grand tradition of passionate, gravely rock. Their 2003 disc "Shine a Light" is an indie classic that deserves a place in every bar's jukebox. "Kensington Heights" returns them to the peaks of "Shine a Light" while at the same time showing maturity.



Dr. Dog

"FATE"

Philadelphia's Dr. Dog had their breakthrough in 2007 with the excellent "We All Belong" and their fifth album, "Fate," proves they do indeed belong. There's not a band that sounds more like the Beatles, circa "Abbey Road." They record in analog fashion and have an old-school '60s quality, but Dr. Dog somehow sounds fresh.



Firewater

"THE GOLDEN HOUR"

On Firewater's sixth album, before the song "Bhangra Bros," an unidentified woman asks: "Do you have any message to tell the children of Turkey?" The band responds with an incredibly funky, upbeat jam led by muted horns. In the vein of late-period Joe Strummer, Firewater's Tod A makes a habit of traveling the world and adopting regional music to his punk sensibility.



The Black Keys

"ATTACK & RELEASE"

The ubiquitous Danger Mouse (half of Gnarls Barkley) has drawn much attention for his production. But for some reason, his fine work on the Black Keys' fifth album hasn't gotten its due. The Akron, Ohio, blues duo has always had an issue of sonic range being just electric guitar and drums. Their sound is expanded here with banjo, bass and piano. The Keys' raw blues stomp is not only left intact, but it's also made fuller.



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Miley Cyrus

"BREAKOUT"

On "Breakout," Miley Cyrus delivers sweetened pop-punk odes of contradictory emotions, circular thinking, pots outrageously calling kettles black. The lyrics are half-terrible but the best of them transmit the desired message. It's a lackluster album, floated by two or three strong singles. Her voice is a generous, full-throated holler, with surprisingly deep range for a girl, but in mean mode it becomes pinched and stingy. Much of the music comes with clattering, tempo-pushing Dave Grohl-ish rock drums (some of it played by Josh Freese of A Perfect Circle) and distorted and shiny electric guitars.

[BEN RATLIFF, NEW YORK TIMES NEWS SERVICE]



One Day as a Lion

"ONE DAY AS A LION"

One Day as a Lion is Rage Against the Machine frontman Zack de la Rocha's partnership with drummer Jon Theodore, formerly of the Mars Volta. Apart from percussion, de la Rocha contributes everything here, including his trademark complaints: about society and news media ("They say that in war, the truth be the first casualty"), politics ("This era be terrible, terror-filled, terrified") and the state of radio ("What's raining from the station? Cash fascination.") Theodore does yeoman's work, providing gravity and clarity. But the overall familiarity of One Day as a Lion suggests Rage manqué at best, with an impenetrability that band never suffered from. [JON CARA-MANICA, NEW YORK TIMES NEWS SERVICE]

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Breaking the cycle

Los Angeles Times

Psychotherapist Eileen Gallo has led many shopping-addicted patients into the light. The road to solvency, she says, starts with a journey of self-discovery.

When shopping begins to cause marital discord, missed appointments and financial woes, Gallo said, "it's time to take a look inside and find out the motivation for the behavior."

Once such consumers recognize their motives for shopping, a bit of mindfulness can be a powerful thing, said Gallo, author of "The Financially Intelligent Parent."

"They certainly can take their own pulse when they're thinking about shopping, have a self-dialogue," she said. "They can ask themselves: 'How am I feeling now? Am I angry, depressed, lonely? How will I feel when it's time to pay for it? Can it wait?'"

These are questions that Denise Hinds of Woodland Hills, Calif., is asking herself more often these days. With nine bins of clothes in storage and a closet jammed with clothes—many with price tags still attached—Hinds

said, "I have racked up a good amount of debt buying things I didn't need."

Recently divorced and trying to set a new financial course for her life, Hinds said she's trying to be more mindful of what she buys—and why.

"When I wasn't happy, I was disappearing a lot to the mall," Hinds said. "... At home, everything may be crappy: The baseboards need replacing, and the bathroom needs cleaning. But you go to a place where everything is new, nicely lit and you can space out."

When she was sad, Hinds said, she would tell herself she needed to take care of herself.

"Part of it is that you're trying to fulfill some need—I deserve this." Part of it, she added, is that "composing outfits" is a hobby that makes her happy.

Though Hinds is trying to replace those lost hours at the mall with books, friends and hiking with her dog, she still finds she needs a fix of "mall air" now and again.

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Can't stop shopping?

For compulsive buyers, a trip to the mall can be costly

Los Angeles Times

In a land where the average credit-card holder is \$1,673 behind in payments, buying things in the U.S. is more than a hunt for daily provisions. It's a national pastime, a form of therapy, a means of self-expression.

But for more than 1 in 20 Americans, shopping is something darker. A study published in the October 2006 issue of the American Journal of Psychiatry found that at some point in the lives of an estimated 5.8 percent of the U.S. population, shopping will become a source of shame, a cry for help, the cause of job losses and broken relationships, a road to financial ruin.

They are "compulsive buyers"—troubled by intrusive impulses to shop, prone to lose track of time while doing so, plagued by postpurchase remorse, guilt and financial woes and sometimes given up on by loved ones.

"I get several calls a month from people who say, 'I don't know what you call it, but this is out of control,'" said psychiatrist Timothy Fong, director of UCLA's Impulse Control Disorders Clinic and co-director of the university's Addiction Medicine Clinic.

For the truly addicted shopper, Fong said, "it's not lack of willpower" that makes them unable to stop shopping. "It's an inability to control impulses and desires and behaviors."

Mental health professionals are debating how to label and treat these consumers' problematic behavior. As they do so, clinics, self-help groups and therapists specializing in the care and rehabilitation of compulsive shoppers are popping up across the country. They have found no shortage of clients.

L.A. resident J.P. is one of them. For six years a member of the 12-step group Debtors Anonymous (and so, following its rules, he's declined to identify himself by name), J.P. calls himself "a constantly struggling compulsive shopper" and "a binge person" by nature. J.P. says that what seems to trigger his impulse to spring for something is "a feeling of needing to fix yourself ... a sense of filling a void."

J.P. says that buying something—in his case, costly services such as workshops and courses—would make him exuberant, give him a shot of energy and a sense of purpose. But the crash, which could come

WOMEN VS. MEN

Of all the consumers who come forward saying they are compulsive shoppers, experts say about 80 percent are women. Stanford psychiatry professor Lorrin Koran, said there's every reason to believe that men are just as likely to buy compulsively. But "men don't come for help," he said. Gender differences are very real in the tastes and habits of compulsive shoppers. Here's a look at what each sex buys, according to those who treat the condition. [L.A. TIMES]



WOMEN

Depression and boredom often are the moods that send women to the mall, experts say, adding that women buy mostly objects of self-adornment they imagine will enhance their image in the eyes of others, such as:

- Clothes ➤ Jewelry
- Makeup ➤ Gifts for other people



MEN

Men, Koran said, tend to have impulse-control problems around shopping when they feel agitated, angry or elated. Experts say some are clotheshorses, but are more commonly "collectors" of things, such as:

- Electronic gadgets
- CDs ➤ Watches ➤ Pens
- Books ➤ Cars

hours, days or weeks later when he realized he had succumbed to a costly impulse, has always been hard.

"I feel suckered," he said. "I feel incompetent in a way that I didn't feel before."

"It is an addiction. It becomes an addiction because it feels the more you do this thing, the better you're going to be. It's completely wrongheaded, wrong thinking."

We all shop. In that simple fact, experts say, lies the difficulty of distinguishing the avid shopper, or even the occasionally excessive shopper, from the shopper who is out of control.

"You don't want to medicalize normal behavior," said Dr. Eric Hollander, chairman of psychiatry at the Mt. Sinai School of Medicine.

But a small percentage of consumers, he said, seem to suffer from "a profound deficit" in the ability to resist their impulse to shop, in spite of negative consequences. For those people, Hollander said, the term

disorder "seems to fit."

The number of people coming forward for help appears to be growing. Debtors Anonymous, for example, has seen an uptick of attendance at its meetings in recent years.

"There's more and more traffic to my Web site; I'm getting more and more requests," said April Benson, a New York psychologist who has pioneered a telephone-based form of group therapy for compulsive shoppers. "I have to imagine that's in part due to the economic times."

Just like J.P.'s case, purchases bring a rush of relief from uncomfortable feelings: Patients frequently describe a "rush" of arousal and a release from the unpleasant feelings that generally build in the hours and days before a shopping expedition, said Dr. Lorrin Koran, a professor of psychiatry (emeritus) at Stanford.

Indeed, brain-imaging studies have shown that even in normal subjects, antic-

TRACKING IMPULSES

Since 2005, New York therapist April Lane Benson, author of the book "I Shop, Therefore I Am," has had participants in her group psychotherapy sessions keep journals and shopping lists that track their moods, their impulses and their household needs.

When contemplating a purchase, Benson's patients are asked to record their answers to questions such as "Why am I here?," "How do I feel?," "Do I need this?," "What if I wait?," "How will I pay for it?" and "Where will I put it?" Benson sees "enormous progress" in six women she works with through a 12-session telephone program.

Her forthcoming book, "To Buy or Not to Buy: Why We Overshop and How to Stop," due out this December, will include a purse-sized shopping diary, a CD offering ideas and encouragement and a laminated reminder card listing the questions shoppers should ask themselves. [L.A. TIMES]

ipating a purchase prompts activity in many of the same pleasure-seeking circuits that are activated when addicts succeed in finding a "fix."

Disinterest, guilt and remorse tend to set in quickly. Their purchases are often stowed in the back of a closet or in a basement, their price tags never removed. The resulting ill feeling begins building again, and a compulsive shopper will frequently feel the need for another shopping fix. The cycle continues.

For most compulsive buyers, Benson believes that losing control is a chronic vulnerability. But with rigorous self-examination, she said, "I don't think it's as hard as people think" to break the spell that shopping seems to cast.

"People have to understand what their triggers are, what the emotional aftermath is, what happens after the bill comes," she said. "And they have to think about what their values are and their vision in life."

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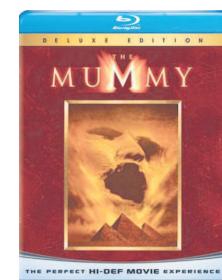


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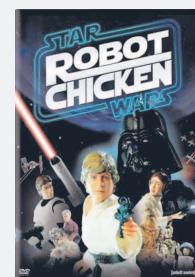


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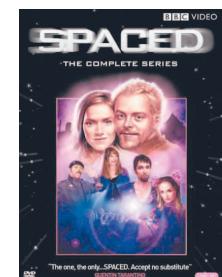


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Beats and geeks

They are rebels and rascals who go by colorful names like Optimus Rhyme, YTCracker and MC Frontalot.

The personalities behind the underground music movement nerdcore use the technology they love to create music—about the technology they love.

Now the "geeksta rap" movement may be poised to break into the mainstream.

"I was drawn to it because it sounded funny," said Dan Lamoureux, a filmmaker who recently completed a documentary about the genre called "Nerdcore For Life." "But I discovered that the artists were very passionate about their subjects."

These subjects range from "Star Wars" to Nintendo, along with a few others that you'd have to be an uber-nerd to understand.

"It's an extension of geek fandom, and casual fans may not get it," Lamoureux told me.

In essence, nerdcore is geek hip-hop. Its origins can be traced back to the late '90s when young people with "cutting edge" technology like fast computers and Internet connections began experimenting and creating their own music. Before you knew it, there was a network of artists creating and releasing tracks over the Internet.

Lamoureux has met many of the characters who are part of the nerdcore movement, including female "ghetto-tech" rapper MC Router, the self-proclaimed First Lady of Nerdcore.

"She is a very interesting person," he said, "a hard-core, hard-living nerd."

Lamoureux said that when MC Router arrived for a screening of the documentary in Madison, Wis., she admitted to drinking some 40-ounce bottles of Pabst Blue Rib-

bon. She was more than boisterous, flipping off an image of Nursehella, a rapper rival to Router.

"She went berserk," he said.

That's not the sort of action you'd expect from someone who raps about dealing with a computer virus, but there are feuds within the nerdcore community, Lamoureux said, although the equivalent of East Coast versus West Coast in

nerdcore is Purdue versus Stanford universities. (Both have computer science departments with nerdcore crews.)

Lamoureux told me the feud ended amicably at the Consumer Electronics Show in Las Vegas last year, when both crews met and decided to "bury the motherboard."

Despite its feuds and showdowns, I still wonder whether nerdcore can break through into mainstream music. Lamoureux said true nerdcore fanatics don't often buy CDs because they are accustomed to downloading music for free. This raises doubts about the profitability of the genre for most record labels.

Then again, video game TV channel G4 uses music of some nerdcore rappers for its programming, which may attract nerds and geeks with disposable incomes. And Lamoureux's documentary could spread the word "nerdcore" as well.

When asked whether he was a nerd or a geek, Lamoureux gave another option: "I'm more of a dork. Nerds and geeks have skills. Within the hierarchy you have geek, then nerd, and then dork on the bottom."

"A dork will wait overnight for tickets to the new 'Star Wars' movie; a geek will already have it downloaded on his computer."

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Req. C08FR100670343, Spec.

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ional Equipment.

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By: Geoffrey Urban
General Manager, Purchasing

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Req. C08OP100738226, Spec. No. CTA 9140-08 Furnish and Deliver Ten (10) Operator's Cab Heaters for the 3200 Series Rail Cars, FOB Destination.

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Docket No. 2008-R-23
-Official Testing Station No. C0264 Wilmette Truck & Bus Sales & Service, Inc. 2027 Johns Drive Glenview, Illinois 60025

Docket No. 2008-R-24
-Official Testing Station No. C0186 Wilmette Lane Inspections, Inc. 1090 Carolina Drive West Chicago, Illinois 60185

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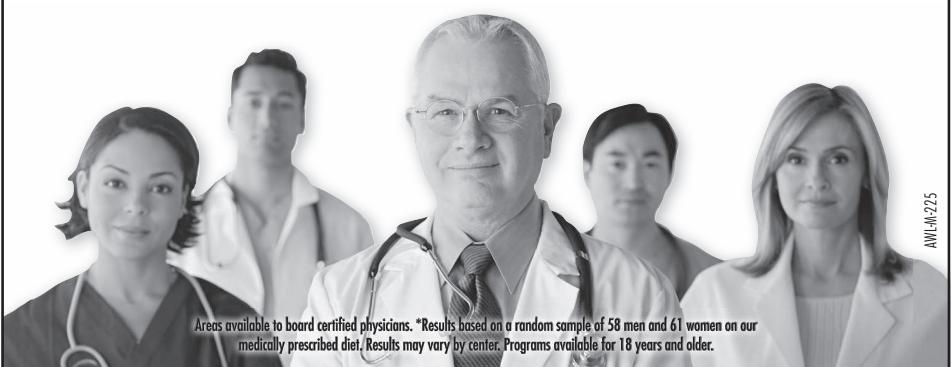


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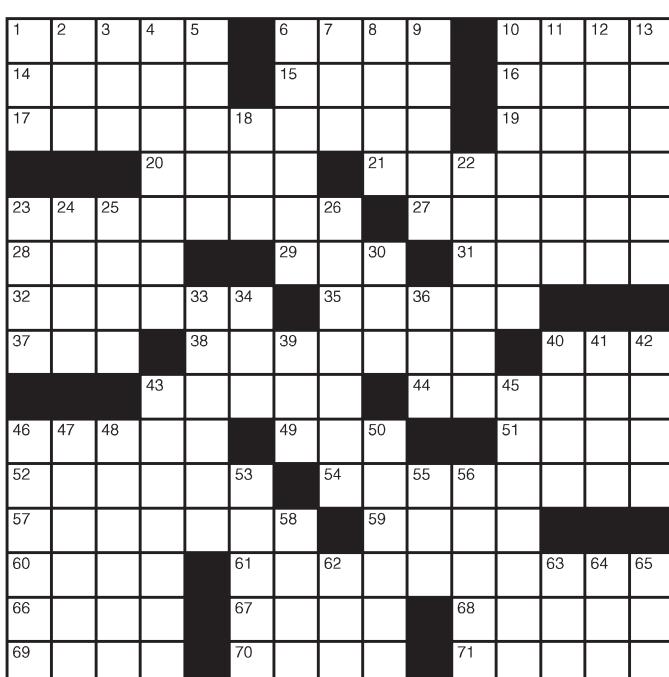
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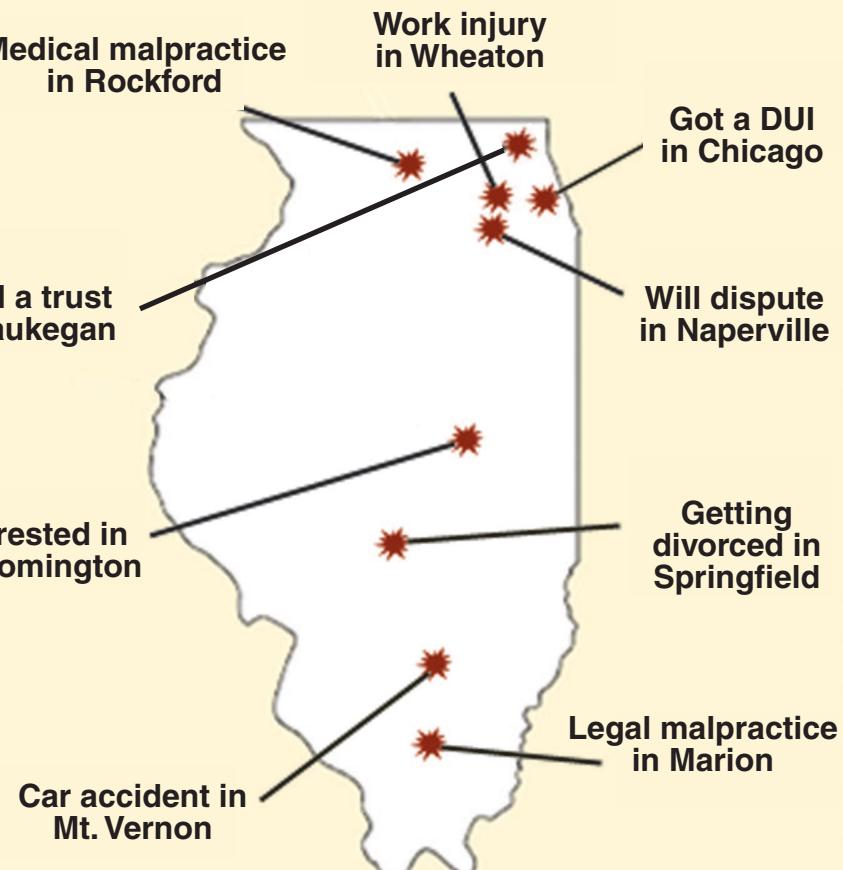
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LATE SHIFT

In what year did Jay Leno take over hosting "The Tonight Show" from Johnny Carson? Text "late" and the number of your answer to **47383**. You'll get a message telling you if you got the answer right.

- (1) 1988 (2) 1992 (3) 1995 (4) 1997

WEB head

Jimmy Fallon going online for practice with 'Late Night'

When he takes over for Conan O'Brien as the host of "Late Night" next year, Jimmy Fallon will have big shoes to fill.

What better way to do that than to try something new—like a soft-launch online?

Fallon, who takes over the NBC show when O'Brien replaces Jay Leno on "The Tonight Show," plans to hone his approach in brief Internet shows, The Associated Press reports.

No word yet as to what these Webisodes will be like, but they should help him get comfortable with his new gig. Considering the competition, he'll need the practice. Just check out the TV titans with whom he'll be compared. [JIM WALSH, REDEYE]

IN THE YEAR 2009 ...

"The Tonight Show with Conan O'Brien" will begin June 1, 2009, NBC announced Monday. Jay Leno's last "Tonight Show" will air May 29, 2009. Jimmy Fallon will step in as the "Late Night" host in the spring.



CONAN O'BRIEN

SHOW:
Now, "Late Night with Conan O'Brien." Next year, "The Tonight Show."

TRADEMARK:
Goofball sketches (driving his desk) and oddball characters (the FedEx pope)

SECRET WEAPON:
His trademark coif

THREAT LEVEL:
CODE RED



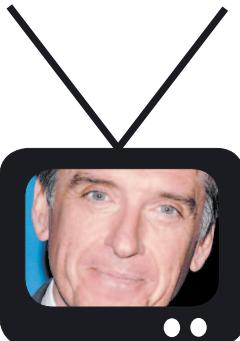
JAY LENO

SHOW:
Now, "The Tonight Show with Jay Leno." Next year, who knows?

TRADEMARK:
Funny newspaper headlines and street interviews

SECRET WEAPON:
By most measures, he's the ratings king.

THREAT LEVEL:
CODE RED



CRAIG FERGUSON

SHOW:
"The Late Late Show with Craig Ferguson"

TRADEMARK:
Seemingly unscripted riffs have helped him creep in on O'Brien's ratings.

SECRET WEAPON:
Scottish accent.

THREAT LEVEL:
CODE ORANGE



DAVID LETTERMAN

SHOW:
"Late Show with David Letterman"

TRADEMARK:
The Top 10 list

SECRET WEAPON:
Creepy sidekick Paul Shaffer

THREAT LEVEL:
CODE YELLOW



JIMMY KIMMEL

SHOW:
"Jimmy Kimmel Live!"

TRADEMARK:
He's just your Average Joe.

SECRET WEAPON:
He's [bleeping] Ben Affleck.

THREAT LEVEL:
CODE YELLOW



CARSON DALY

SHOW:
"Last Call with Carson Daly"

TRADEMARK:
Insider music references

SECRET WEAPON:
He used to be cool on MTV.

THREAT LEVEL:
CODE BLUE

In, out, whatever

A look at what's relevant right now. [JIM WALSH, REDEYE]

in

Angelina Jolie's 4 a.m. escape with the twins. **Explanation:** Her hospital in Nice, France, was equipped with a secret hatch.



out

Roger Ebert and Richard Roeper. They're reportedly leaving "At the Movies With Ebert & Roeper." Who's gonna spill the deets on "Step Brothers"?



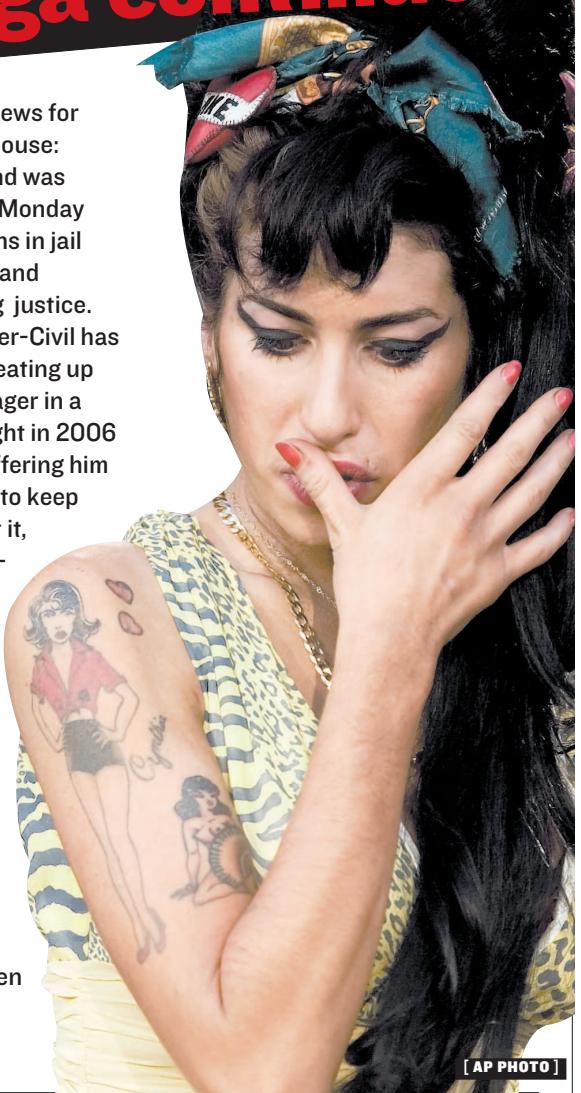
whatever

Jessica Simpson's country makeover. She says she's not making another pop record. Will she not make another country one too?



the winehouse saga continues

More bad news for Amy Winehouse: Her husband was sentenced Monday to 27 months in jail for assault and obstructing justice. Blake Fielder-Civil has admitted beating up a pub manager in a barroom fight in 2006 and then offering him \$400,000 to keep quiet about it, The Associated Press reports. Winehouse and Fielder-Civil married in Miami in May 2007. He was arrested in November and has been in jail ever since.



[AP PHOTO]

Swayze is a 'miracle dude'

Patrick Swayze is back in business only months after the announcement that he's battling cancer. "I'm a miracle dude ... I don't know why," the "Dirty Dancing" icon told **people.com** on Sunday as he left an L.A. airport. The Swayze reportedly is filming his new TV show "The Beast" in Chicago.

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Mock rocksters

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WHO'S THAT BAND?

What was the name of the fictional band in John Cusack's Chicago-based movie "High Fidelity"? Text "fake" and the number of your answer to 47383. You'll get a message telling you if you got the answer right.

(1) Wicker men (2) Lynx (3) Steeterville Villains (4) Barry Jive and the Uptown Five (5) Tempus Fugit

The battle to determine the greatest rock band of all time may never be settled. However, the battle for the greatest *fictional* band of all time has a clear winner that may never be topped, not even by Keanu Reeves.

Mock-rock monsters Spinal Tap won the hearts of Rolling Stone's readers as the greatest fictional band of all time. Stop and smell the glove. Here are the top five, according to rollingstone.com.

1. **Spinal Tap**
("This Is Spinal Tap")
2. **Wyld Stallyns**
("Bill & Ted's Excellent Adventure")
3. **The Commitments**
("The Commitments")
4. **Stillwater**
("Almost Famous")
5. **The Oneders/The Wonders**
("That Thing You Do!")

Keeping up with prison

Those Kardashian sisters are so versatile. **Kim Kardashian:** reality show bombshell, starlet and workout video maven.

Khloe Kardashian: high-end boutique owner, socialite and inciter of prison riots.

Wait, what? Khloe Kardashian says her hours-long stint in jail on a 30-day sentence stemmed from her presence being a disruption, E! Online reports.

"As soon as I got to Lynwood [County Jail], there were three bomb threats," she told radio host Ryan Seacrest on Monday, according to E! "The warden came down to talk to me, and he was saying, 'You're the one causing all the problems here.' And I'm like, 'Ugh, I don't need any more problems.' And he's like, 'There's all these bomb threats, and we're thinking it's for you.'

"But because of all these things, it's a blessing, and I was actually released early because I was a threat to the prison."

Wait till next year: Big in '09

Clearly "The Dark Knight" has staked its claim as the movie of the summer, if not the movie of the year. A final box office tally from the weekend showed the "Batman Begins" sequel actually made \$3 million more than originally estimated, for a total of \$158.4 million.

Well, we the media aren't a very patient bunch, and **mtv.com** already has closed the books on 2008 and is looking forward to the big movies of 2009. Here are a few of next year's blockbusters that MTV highlighted, along with RedEye's odds of the movie ruling the summer.

Even

"Transformers: Revenge of the Fallen"—Robots! Explosions! Megan Fox!

4:1

"Terminator: Salvation"—Robots! Explosions! ... Wait a minute ...

3:1

"GI Joe: Rise of Cobra"—Potentially the next "Transformers."

10:1

"Bruno"—Sacha Baron Cohen + unsuspecting Americans = hilarity

WOLVERINE



25:1

"X-Men Origins: Wolverine"—Hugh Jackman's biceps reprise their role.

>> Wolverine's still in our superhero tournament. Vote at redeyechicago.com/superhero.

Prime-time baby

The cast of "Chuck" really likes Nicole Richie—and her baby, Harlow.

"Nicole came in and from Day One was uber-professional [and] dedicated," said Zachary Levi, who plays the show's title character, according to usmagazine.com.

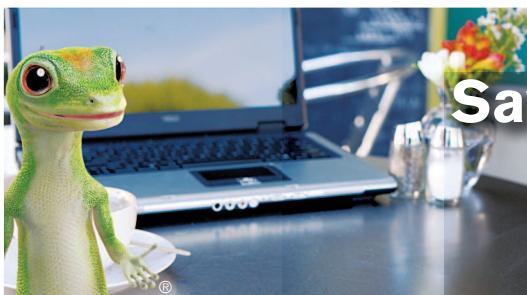
Richie, who's making a cameo on the NBC show, brought her 7-month-old daughter to the set regularly, much to Levi's delight.

"Such an adorable little baby!" he said. "I wanted to eat the baby—is that wrong?"

HOT DATE

July 28

The date when MTV's "Choose or Lose & Kanye West Present: Homecoming" airs. The special will feature West and the network's Sway Calloway visiting the homes of Iraq war veterans.



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